

**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
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(Only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(d))

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Attorney Docket No. 0107-0974-3 REISSUE

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This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d)  
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 08/966,368  
filed on November 7, 1997 entitled METHOD FOR REPAIRING A CONNECTING DEVICE FOR THE...

1. ☒ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed 11-01-01 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53 (d)(4)
  - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
  - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
  - a. ☐ PTO-1449
  - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

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TOTAL	44	MINUS 20	24	x \$18 =	\$432.00
INDEPENDENT	4	MINUS 3	1	x \$84 =	\$84.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS		+ \$280 =	\$0.00
				BASIC FEE	\$740.00
				TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS	\$1,256.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity			\$0.00
				TOTAL	\$1,256.00

**6. Small Entity Status:**

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0030.
- ☒ If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time in the parent case. Any fees required for such an extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030.
8. ☒ A check in the amount of **\$1,656.00** is enclosed.
9. ☒ Other: PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (2).

Respectfully submitted,

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